



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1653

Application Number: 10/030,452

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For: METHODS FOR REDUCING THE FORMATION OF BY-PRODUCTS IN THE PRODUCTION OF RECOMBINANT POLYPEPTIDES

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of December 23, 2004, please amend the above-application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.